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## New Community Holds Groundbreaking For First Supermarket In Central Ward In 20 Years

Even the threatening skies could not dampen the holiday atmosphere of the groundbreaking on May 1, 1989 for New Community Corporation Neighborhood Pathmark Shopping Center, the first supermarket to be built in the heart of Newark in 20 years.

Rosa Bursey who is handicapped, came up on her motorized scooter from her apartment in NC Associates at 180 South Orange Avenue. She tried to get right up front to happily tell all the dignitaries that that's how she could go shopping now, but the ground was still too uneven for her low slung vehicle.

Students from Newton Street School came with their teacher as a bit of Newark history unfolded before their eyes and the St. Rose Choir was replendent in their red robes, with Emily Ross leading them.

The 12 member Weequahic High School Jazz Band under the direction of Otis Brown provided background music while hundreds of people from the neighborhood gathered.

Mary Smith, treasurer of New Community, began the day's ceremonies by introducing Newark Archbishop Theodore A. McCarrick and remembering his support of New Community's work. The Archbishop



Mary Smith, treasurer of New Community, presents special NCC jackets to U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Jack Kemp and Governor Thomas H. Kean to mark the occasion.

is no stranger to urban problems and remembered his days as Vicar of Harlem in New York and "the terrible concern that we all had that it was the poor people who had to pay the most for the staples of life. And that shouldn't be," he said. "What we're doing here today is a great step forward in making sure that is no longer true here in Newark," said the Archbishop. He praised the participation which gets non-profit agencies,

corporations and the people together, and thanked God for all who were involved, asking His blessing on the great people "whose dreams are unbounded, whose hopes are in the skies," that they might with God's help have a better tomorrow.

Ms. Smith spoke of the background of New Community and the 20 year struggle to provide an economic base which would empower the people — all the dreams and effort of Mon-

signor William J. Linder, one of the founders of New Community.

Monsignor Linder, in a powerful statement, explained a little of why control over your own economic development was important by providing some facts. It costs 38% more to buy food locally than at a suburban market; a family of five spends \$50.00 a month just for transportation to get food for the family; and there are 98,000 people who live within a mile of the site who need a major shopping center, were some of the injustices he cited.

Jobs were also important, he went on pointing out the 102 construction jobs generated by the shopping center, the 158 full time jobs and the 100 part time jobs. These latter were especially important for young people going to school, he noted. "We finally have jobs for our young people who can work part time, and work their way through school, which they want to do."

Recalling the 7½ years Pathmark had worked with NCC and stayed with them, Father Linder praised that effort. The New Jersey State Enterprise Zone, the Department of Economic Development with \$1.38 million at 4% and the condemnation of the land by the State were also invaluable, he told those gathered. The City's tax abatement and assistance

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### Senator Codey Pays Visit To Babyland IV

The children at Babyland IV were just finishing lunch when their company arrived. Caregivers tended to the inevitable runny noses and wiped the remains of pudding from smiling faces as playtime began. One little boy demonstrated his ability to set a wheel of balls in motion by rotating a larger one with his palm.

As the children sat around the table a little girl whose legs were just beginning to function again, was helped to practice by walking around (held up by a caregiver) and touching the shoulder of a playmate in a modified game of "Ghost, Ghost." Then it was another child's turn and when the shoulder tapped was that of the first little girl her laughing face and voice warmed the whole room.

Babyland's Sister Clare Elton explained that when they first arrived, the children would have shied away from all the attention, but the tender care they were receiving had brought them back to the world of people.

It was hard to imagine that just a few months before, many of these children had no playmates, and smiles were few and far between, but these 10 little children carry the HIV virus and out of fear many people have avoided them.

Senator Richard Codey, Chairman of the State's Institution and Agen-

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### Ribbon Cutting Demonstrates How Cooperation Can Produce Affordable Housing Now

Colgate-Palmolive And New Community Move Quickly In Jersey City

On that bitter cold groundbreaking day in January, Reuben Mark, Colgate-Palmolive's Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer invited everyone back, saying that by May the first unit of the affordable housing being celebrated should be completed — and so it was.

Reaction to the feat ran from "I didn't think it could be done," to "remarkable."

Mr. Mark emphasized that "Colgate is committed to this innovative approach which provides affordable homes in advance of the market-rate housing to which these affordable units are linked. This unit and the others soon to follow stand as evidence of that commitment."

Mayor Anthony R. Cucci, who joined with representatives of the Colgate-Palmolive Company and New Community on April 25, 1989 to mark the official opening of the model unit for an 83-unit affordable housing development planned for Jersey City, was also "tremendously pleased and impressed" that the building had gone up so quickly, as well as by the quality and amenities it offered. He called it a tremendous day for the City. "The opening of this model marks another great step forward in making new affordable housing a reality in

Jersey City," said Mayor Cucci. "The City, Colgate and New Community are working hard to build these units, which mean so much to Jersey City families. With this new housing and the new jobs that will be created by its waterfront development, Colgate

is making an important contribution to the city." (See Clarion, February, 1989.)

Father Ken Latoile of Sacred Heart Church in Ocean/Bayview began the ribbon cutting ceremony with an in-

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Taking care of the ribbon cutting at the affordable housing model unit in Jersey City are (left to right) N.J.H.M.F.A. Executive Director James Logue III, Executive Director of Jersey City Redevelopment Agency Jerome Killeen, Msgr. Wm. Linder, Colgate-Palmolive Chairman, President and CEO Reuben Mark, Jersey City Mayor Anthony Cucci, Councilwoman Frances Thompson and Chairman of the Jersey City Neighborhood Council Association Eddie Daniels.



# Kean College Honors Mary Smith



Mary Smith, executive director of Babyland Nursery Inc., receives distinguished graduate alumni award from Kean College of New Jersey, Union, during academic convocation celebrating 40 years of study at the College. Dr. Nathan Weiss, College president, presented award.

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# Neighborhood Residents Turned Out To Help Celebrate The Groundbreaking Of Their Supermarket



Ellen Watson of NC Associates who fought long and hard for her supermarket wasn't about to miss the groundbreaking because she is temporarily wheelchair bound. Neither would Iris Lewis of NC Roseville sitting with her.



Some of the future beneficiaries of the new Pathmark, young and old, came to participate in the historic day.

## Contributions To New Community Corporation

If you would like to make a memorial gift or donation to New Community it would be most welcome.

People who would like to give to New Community but don't wish to give up the earning power at the present time can assign a contribution now, but defer payment until sometime in the future.

If you would like more information, please contact the Development Office at (201) 623-2800 ext. 206.

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Rosa Bursey of NC Gardens Seniors depends on a motorized scooter to keep her mobile. She was thrilled to be able to "drive" up to the Pathmark site.



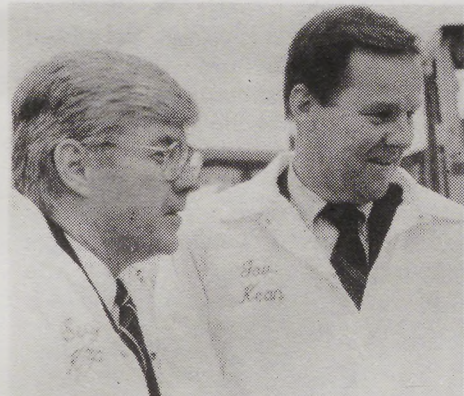
# Pathmark Groundbreaking Great Day For Community...

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with demolition costs put them in the picture. Prudential will provide a low market-rate mortgage and First Fidelity will provide the construction loan, he told the audience.

Dunkin' Donuts (which sent 35 dozen of their products to the event) and Astro Pizza (which distributed 1500 pizzas to willing hands) will also be part of the new project. Roma Foods is helping build an international food court there, so the profits will again stay in the community, said Father Linder.

"Two-thirds of the profit from Pathmark and all the profits from the



**Secretary Kemp and Gov. Kean sport new jackets.**

satellite space will stay right here and help us," Linder went on, calling this "the only truly economic development project in our State." Previously the economics of the community were "colonial economics," said the founder, who said the community welcomed the opportunity to "generate our own future" which could be given to their children. He thanked all for their help, but took pride in saying "we helped and we created it."

A great source of help for many years and a person who really cared about New Community, listening to their needs, was Governor Thomas H. Kean, explained Ms. Smith. He listened when they spoke of their need for a supermarket and always kept that in mind, coming to Mary

familiar ones had left and it was now a hardship to shop for food — higher prices, difficult to get there. "Eight years ago the people began their drive for a supermarket, and they endured many trials and many tribulations. They (NCC) needed the patience of Job, the courage of Daniel and the faith of Isaac," said the governor.

The Governor publicly thanked Supermarkets General/Pathmark for their "enlightened vision" to see a partnership with New Community, as well as William Brooks (Vice-President of Prudential) and William F. Faherty Jr. (President of Supermarkets General). The result will be a 55,000 sq. foot development and the realization of a dream, he said.

Governor Kean also remembered New Community resident Ellen Watson who told a New York Times reporter 2 years ago, how she started shaking her fist saying "I want to get my supermarket," (and then spearheaded a drive to do so.) As she sat in a wheelchair in the front row he promised her "ten months from now you will have your supermarket."

After an introduction by the Governor, federal Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Jack Kemp, called the Nehemiah story a reminder of what we want to do in not only Newark and other urban areas, but all of America. He reminded the audience that when Martin Luther King got the Nobel Peace Prize 25 years ago, he said he had boundless faith in America and he had an **audacious** faith in the future of mankind. "We need political leadership in America that is audacious in its belief that if you give people the power, they can turn the inner city, the community, the neighborhood and this country around until we have full employment, housing and opportunity for all Americans and no child without the type of education that can help them reach their potential," said the Secretary.

He then commended Pathmark for



**Mayor Sharpe James and other wellwishers join in the festivities.**

with suggestions of possibilities when he would meet her over the years. It is this caring attitude which has endeared him to the people of New Community, and he received a warm welcome.

Quoting Nehemiah (Ch. 2 vs. 11-19), which spoke of the ruin, destruction, and despair of the Israelites in Jerusalem but with the hope of rebuilding and new life out of the ruins, Governor Kean spoke of the "modern Nehemiahs — namely Bill Linder, Mary Smith, Art Wilson, Joe Chaneyfield, and their organization, New Community — who have pledged to rebuild Newark, with its people." Rebuilding began and the Governor listed a litany of accomplishments, but the something that was missing, he said was "a new modern grocery store for the people to shop at." After the riots, all the

not giving up on Newark during the struggle for the supermarket. He emphasized working together to create opportunity for free enterprise and promised to tell the story of Newark's efforts throughout the nation.

Congressman Jim Courter called the occasion "just the beginning" of the Renaissance in Newark "because the opportunities are going to be manifold greater in the future than they are right now."

In Congressman Donald Payne's eyes it was "an example of the continued growth and development of Newark, but more so an example of the tenacity and the tremendous amount of assistance that an organization like New Community has been to Newark."

Congressman Jim Florio and Senator Bill Bradley were unable to attend but both sent warm messages

of congratulations.

Congressman Florio said "This groundbreaking adds another building block to the New Community Network, which has come to represent rebirth and undaunted determination to rebuild. This is a triumph for local economic development, a truly grassroots venture that will serve the neighborhood and be a vital part of its growth. And what a triumph for the 12,000 people who years ago signed a petition for a supermarket and dreamed this day would come."

Senator Bradley said "Dedicated work, tenacious dreams and the goal of building a new community in Newark — all combine to make this



**Gov. Thomas Kean addresses gathering.**



**Newark's Archbishop Theodore A. McCarrick, HUD Secretary Jack Kemp, Gov. Thomas Kean, Congressman Donald Payne and Congressman Jim Courter were on hand.**

groundbreaking a celebration of great achievement and boundless potential. Congratulations on making this symbol of neighborhood vitality become a reality in the Central Ward."

Mayor Sharpe James called the Mall a symbol of showing the Central Ward as viable and as alive as any other part of Newark, while County Executive Nicholas Amato saw it as showing that "the public/private partnership can work and will work."

The partners were also pleased with their roles. James D. Dougherty, President of Supermarkets General/Pathmark expressed delight at being asked to be a partner with the Newark Community and with New Community Corporation to build the Pathmark Supercenter and operate it. "It's going to provide over 200 permanent jobs for the Newark community which is wonderful. But most of all it's going to provide a tremendous shopping experience for the citizens of Newark, and for this we're very proud and very honored. We're putting a superstar team on this one and we're going to hit the ground running," he said. He promised the people who shop there "will not only pay less, but will pay less for the very best."

Mr. William Brooks, Vice-president at Prudential who is also in charge of Social Investment mentioned their

continued role as investors responsive to those who live in our neighborhoods and the leadership with vision at the top of their organization with the chairman Bob Winters. He called the new partnership another productive chapter in the Prudential's relationship with New Community.

The \$8.5 million construction financing loan came from First Fidelity, New Jersey's largest bank, whose senior Vice-President William F. Faherty, Jr. told the group that the Chairman Bob Ferguson and President Ed Knapp were "proud to be a part of this great venture." He also assured those gathered that "we will always have our headquarters in Newark, New Jersey."

Ms. Geraldine McGann, Regional Director of HUD was also there to celebrate the historic moment.

Mary Smith commended the entire Newark Municipal Council present for their support over the years for New Community's work.

Freeholder Tom Giblin summed up the day when he said the new supermarket was "going to be at the heart of the resurgence here in the Central Ward for all the families. For many people associated with New Community I know it's a dream come true."

We agree.



**Supporters gather on the dais for another step in the revitalization of Newark.**



# Senator Codey Visits Babyland IV

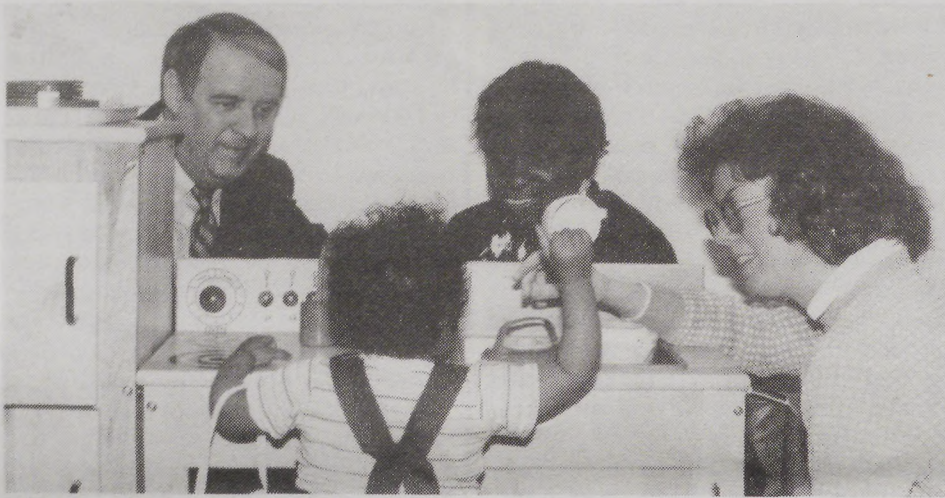
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cies Committee, listened intently as Mary Smith, executive director of Babyland, which runs the center under a Head Start program, talked about the toddlers and their special needs. Then he helped one little child finish her lunch as he sat in the tiny chair next to her. It was obvious he was no novice as the spoonfuls slowly disappeared into her wee mouth.

The Senator's visit was intended to publicize the social needs of the problem which everyone could relate to, and to which their hearts could be sympathetic. He also wanted people to know "There's a program here where people care and are willing to work with these children," said Codey. He decried the taboo nature of the disease. "They have a terrible disease to face just as anyone else with a tough disease is facing." By highlighting the problems the children face, he hoped more could be done with the funding than is presently, so hopefully everyone who needs this kind of care can be accommodated in the State of New Jersey.

Despite tough budget times, the Senator is trying to make sure the money for a program such as this stays at least at the minimum level or hopefully is increased.

Addressing the fact that drug addiction can bring about AIDS as one of its by-products he noted that although the disease strikes more in urban areas, it has struck in other areas as well. "We don't know about it or read about it," he said, "but the problem is shared by all kinds of people — rich or poor, black or white" — and he wants Jerseyans and all peo-



Senator Codey, Babyland's Mary Smith and Sr. Mary Lou join in a little playtime.

signed "with love."

That alone affirmed the Senator's belief that "when you have a volunteer you have someone who obviously has compassion. It's a whole different ball game."

One of the mothers, Ms. J., whose 3 year old child was being cared for at Babyland IV told us what a big difference it had made in her life. She used to have to stay at home with her child who needs medication and oxygen at times. The mother had a blood transfusion in 1983 and realized her daughter was sick in 1987. The little one has had 5 seizures, 4 operations and pneumonia. "I went through a lot with her...but I love her and I don't understand why mothers can give them up," she said.

Now her daughter stays at the Center from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and "has a real good time. She loves it. If I don't bring her she has a fit. She really loves it here because they

Now she knows that AIDS cannot be spread through such things as drinking from another's glass or from kissing babies, and she welcomes the opportunity to talk about it to other people.

Ms. J. takes her little girl to church with her each Sunday where they call her the "miracle baby" she told me, and finds it beautiful there. She also gives "thanks to God and Jesus Christ" for her baby and the wonderful people who care for her.

And we do too.

## Babyland Teen Of The Month

My name is Pamela Batts. I am a teen mother at Babyland I. My daughter's name is Ounshanee. She has been attending Babyland since November 1988.

Babyland has been a great advantage for me since it allows me to go to school without having to worry about who is going to watch my daughter each day.

The Babyland bus picks my baby up in the morning, gives her breakfast, lunch, and a snack. The bus also brings her home in the afternoon.

The price of all these things is just a little of your time during the week. Come to the meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays; there are drinks if you are thirsty and food if you are hungry. And the meetings are fun. Call 399-3400.

So if you get the chance to become



Pamela Batts holds daughter Ounshanee as she greets her at Babyland.

one of our Babyland teen mothers, take advantage of it. Just don't let the opportunity slip through your hands.

Pamela Batts

Despite adverse circumstances, Pamela is a highly motivated young mother. She attends the Babyland program and her high school classes regularly. She is a gentle and loving mom and an integral part of our group. Thank you Pam, for being you!

S. Clare Elton  
Denise Baskerville

## Babyland III Curriculum On Target

We at Babyland III are firm advocates of the fact that young children have minds, they can think, and even as infants, they have the capacity of becoming richer, more competent persons. Beginning with the youngest Infants and Toddlers, the caregivers have clearly defined goals that relate to individual children. Through our curriculum, the stage is set for the kind of learning that is expected to take place and the child is free to develop at his own rate.

NEWSWEEK recently published a special report (April 17, 1989) on *HOW KIDS LEARN*. How delighted were we at Babyland III when we realized the embodiment of our philosophy of preschool education in this report.

The following are quotes, taken from NEWSWEEK, which parents will recall having heard at meetings or individual conferences prior to the publication of this *SPECIAL REPORT*:

*"The biggest mistake is pushing a child too hard, too soon."*

*"Infants and toddlers...will begin to explore the world around them and experiment with independence...develop gross motor and fine motor...remain egocentric and unable to*



Khalil Nassiruddin is pretty good at balancing the blocks.

*share and wait their turn."*

*"18 months to 3 years...toilet training becomes the prime learning activity...tend to concentrate on language development and large-muscle control through activities like climbing...enjoy playing with one other child, or a small group, for short periods."*

*"3-year-olds...begin to deal with cause and effect."*

*"4-year-olds...develop better small motor skills, such as cutting with scissors, painting, working with puzzles and building things...can master colors, sizes and shapes."*

*"Young children learn best through active, hands-on teaching methods."*

Recalling your active participation in our curriculum, having become familiar with Babyland III's philosophy through our parent education, and last but not least, seeing the direct parallel with current trends in the education of young children, you cannot deny the fact that **BABYLAND III'S CURRICULUM IS ON TARGET.**

Sister Marie Infanta Gonzales, OSP  
Supervisor, Babyland III



As Mary Smith looks on, Senator Codey coaxes a toddler to finish dessert.

ple to be aware of it.

Senator Codey's special interest is institutions and as he saw the happy children responding to the attention of their caregivers he was pleased. "The kind of institutions that we want are **these** kinds of institutions, not warehouses and what we've seen for other diseases such as mental illness. Here you have a small setting with a ratio of staff and children that is excellent — you know, the direct care and relationships. That's the kind of setting you want."

"**This is not an institution,**" he declared, "**it's a place of love where a small group of children who need it go.**"

The Senator brought up the great need for volunteers, especially in mental institutions where they are small in numbers. Mrs. Smith was pleased to inform him that they had more volunteers for this Babyland than they did for the others. Then he was shown the beautiful mural and alphabet hangings done by the provisional class of the Junior League of Montclair/Newark which had been

love all the children. They work with all the children. They play together and are like one big family." Besides eating breakfast and lunch they go outside, take naps and also "watch beautiful programs on TV that teach them. It's a beautiful place," said Ms. J. and voiced the hope that the government would open up more programs for children.

Ms. J. was undaunted as she spoke of the need to get together — "all of us" — and fight this disease. "It's not a one person problem; it concerns all of us. We all have to get together and fight this because if we don't it's going to wipe a whole lot more people out. This is my concern," she said quietly.

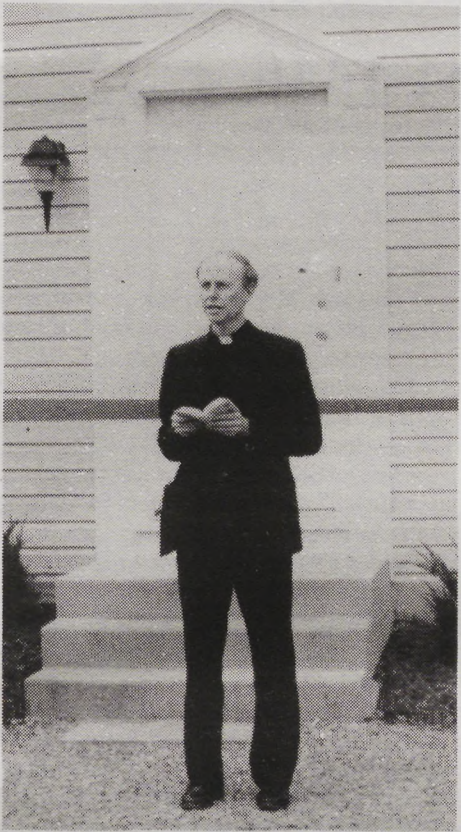
This mother has experienced the fear created by lack of understanding of how the disease is spread and hopes there will be a lot more programs opened up to the public where they can go and sit down and actually see and learn. She feels people are afraid of what they can't see and are also afraid to ask, because she went through that herself.



## Affordable Housing For Jersey City...

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vocation. One thing that was "extremely satisfying" to him about the new complex was the involvement of local people. Anthony Thomas, the resident manager of the development was born in Jersey City and grew up in Ocean/Bayview on Dwight Street. He came up through the youth program at Sacred Heart and now after graduating in May from Providence College he will return to again contribute to the city, thanks to the opportunity given him by New Com-



**Father Ken Latoile blesses venture.**

munity. Father Latoile was grateful for this opportunity.

Mr. Mark, after viewing the new townhouse unit said it was "extra exciting" to him, and he was delighted that all the promises could be kept. "With New Community and all the participants working together as partners, we're on our way. It's exciting to see them up." He called the concept "the first small step in a long process," and added "we're delighted to be a part of it."

New Jersey Housing Mortgage Finance Agency Executive Director James Logue III called the day a "wonder." He wasn't certain the house would be ready. "For this to get done in the time they had is remarkable," he said enthusiastically. The site plan and design was something which could be used any place in the state he felt, because of its simple design and "lots of room." "It took participation of four or five partners to produce this and it is testimony to the cooperative efforts of all. It proves it can be done," he said positively.

Monsignor William J. Linder, one of the founders of New Community also directed attention to the

cooperative part of the effort. "The ribbon cutting is an example of the cooperation between a major corporation, New Community, and City and local groups, as well as the State. It points out what New Community and such partnerships can produce — a house in three months." Construction time was actually four weeks. Excavation began on March 27th and the unit was completed on April 21st.

Irvin Haynes, liaison person between the State of New Jersey, Jersey City and the community groups was glad to see the unit up too. "I didn't think it would be on schedule. The community is overwhelmed." June Jones from the Jersey City Neighborhood Council said she had originally sat in on the plan with Colgate and was also very impressed with the units. She pointed out the housing problems were the same in Jersey City as in Newark. "The project concept is great. We need that here, as long as the housing serves the people of the community."

"The development is breathing new life into the city," said Mr. Arthur Wilson, president of the NCC board of trustees, as he pointed out that already new siding had appeared on neighborhood houses and the area was being spruced up. "When something new and beautiful comes into your neighborhood it's contagious." Mary Smith, treasurer of the board of trustees of NCC agreed, saying she was proud of the beautiful, affordable housing New Community's efforts were providing for the people in this community. "We have to be very careful about involving the community, and I'm going to make certain that happens," she continued. When people know the housing is a product of their own efforts they buy into it and it **stays** beautiful, Mary explained.

The two-story, three bedroom model was built on vacant city-owned land on Van Nostrand Avenue near Ocean Avenue in the City's Ocean/Bayview neighborhood in Ward F. Other units are planned for construction on adjoining and nearby sites in the area.

All units will be three-bedroom townhouses for rental or purchase by families with annual incomes of up to \$25,000. New Community is building and marketing the units under the supervision of the Jersey City Redevelopment Agency and the Jersey City Development Corporation. Renters and purchasers will be selected through procedures to be developed by the Jersey City Department of Housing and Economic Development.

Construction of the remaining 14 units in the development's first phase is expected to begin by the end of June with units ready for occupancy by December. Three additional phases are planned to begin between August and November of this year.

Colgate-Palmolive will provide sub-

## Life From A Different Point Of View

For twenty-one years Calonia Lindsey faithfully cared for the needs of others in her job in the cafeteria at Bergen Street School and later at Belmont and Runyon. She knew that many times the little children whom she tended had come to school with no breakfast and perhaps had not even seen their parents that day. She could tell because their shoes were on the wrong feet, or clothes were on backwards. So she kept an eye on them; washed them, took them to the bathroom and made sure they had something good in their stomachs at lunchtime.

But suddenly the tables turned — arthritis struck. She would fall down suddenly, knees collapsing under her. Still, for two years she struggled to continue working, walking next to parked cars wherever she went, so when it **did** happen, she could hang on.

Finally she was confined to bed.

It is not easy to remain in bed all day alone, especially when the apartment in which you live has no heat for two months in the winter. Aides who came to help could not even bathe her — it was too cold to remove the bedcovers. "It was really bad," said Calonia quietly.

Add to that the rodents filling the rundown apartment and water leaking from the upstairs bathroom and running over to her bed. Eventually the ceiling fell.

Her care fell to her son, her neighbors and church members. Friends brought her food.

At one point she had a group servicing her, but lost them when they told her she had to be able to get out to the doctor or they could not continue. She tried local transport agencies but no one would come to pick her up, for they would have to put her in a wheelchair. She could not get out of bed independently.

Several times Ms. Lindsey had to be hospitalized and it was during her last visit to University Hospital that she learned about New Community from a social worker, Mrs. Bolla, who

had worked at the same school with Calonia years ago. Mrs. Bolla secured a Home Health Aide for her from New Community and when NCC became aware of her problems they managed to help. Shortly after Congressman Payne's visit last month (See Clarion, April 1989) she was moved. "They worked fast," said Ms. Lindsey approvingly.

Now life has improved dramatically for Calonia. "I'm warm, I'm comfortable and I can see," she said pleasantly, explaining that her **former** bedroom was in the back of the house. From her raised hospital bed in her ground floor apartment in New Community she can watch people coming and going, see grass and trees and know she is at least back in the stream of life.

"New Community has really been good to me," said Calonia warmly. Each day an aide from NCC Home Health Care comes to help her wash up, etc., and take care of the apartment. New Community's Meals on Wheels brings a hot meal at lunchtime.

Ms. Lindsey's 29 year old son James does all the rest of the cooking and likes the new apartment too. "I used to have five rooms before, she explained, but I would rather have three nice rooms than five that are uncomfortable." Her living room has been turned into a bedroom. "It's very nice here. It's a big change and I like it."

It has been two years since Calonia walked, so she misses going to church — but each first Sunday, communion is brought to her by one of the deacons and church members visit frequently. She would love to have the use of a handicapped van to go to church in person from time to time. "I wish I **could** go to church — it makes you feel better."

"You can't do nothing' without Him," said Ms. Lindsey, "cause I was prayin' and prayin' real hard that somebody would get me out of there — and He answered my prayer."

We're glad we could be of help.



**New Community Home Health Aide Hadijah Muhammad provides a bit of sunshine to Calonia Lindsey's day as she cares for the bedridden woman.**

sidies for the units as part of the linkage program for its proposed waterfront development project at Exchange Place in Jersey City. Combined with funding from the state's Balanced Housing Program, Colgate-Palmolive's subsidies will make the units affordable to low and moderate-income families.

### About The Model Unit

Manufactured by American Home Technology, Inc., the homes in the Colgate-Palmolive/New Community linkage program have a development cost of \$90,000 with an estimated pur-

chase cost of \$45,000 based on the purchaser's income; balance subsidized by Colgate-Palmolive and the State's Balanced Housing Program. The estimated rental cost is \$350 per month.

The three-bedroom one and a half bath townhouses provide 1,194 square feet with all appliances, including washer and dryer hookup.

Turner Construction Company, Special Projects Division is the General Contractor with Helena Ruman as project architect. Environmental and Geotechnical engineers were provided by Langan Engineering Associates, Inc.



**Msgr. Wm. Linder shares the exciting moment with some Jersey City Neighborhood Association members.**



## Who Will Help?

The New Community Extended Care Facility needs volunteers.

• Can you read a short mystery to a 70 year old who once enjoyed reading but can no longer see the words in the book?

• Will you sit and talk with a lovely greatgrandmother who has lost partial recall, but enjoys the company of people who aren't always in a hurry?

• Can you share an interesting experience of your life with a typical, talkative grandfather, who, before arthritis interfered, had interesting experiences of his own that he'd love to share with you?

• Will you conduct a bingo game and award the prizes to an excited 80 year old winner whose legs have not been functional for many years?

• Can you take the frail hand of a former marathon runner and escort him out into the warm sunshine for a very slow walk?

Can you, will you? If so, we need you. We need volunteers.

New Community Extended Care Facility needs loving, caring in-

dividuals who are genuinely concerned about the happiness of senior citizens.

The activities department at Extended Care under the direction of Mr. Rob Burgess, provides a variety of activities, socials and functions designed to motivate, stimulate, and simply help our residents to realize that enjoyment in life is still available to them.

As an Extended Care Volunteer you can help to reinforce that reality. You can make a difference in our seniors' lives by donating just a few hours of your time, at your convenience.

We have been very successful in many areas of activities in our facility but our continued success depends upon the happiness of our residents. Help guarantee success: VOLUNTEER!

Please contact Ron Burgess, Activities Director, New Community Extended Care Facility, 266 S. Orange Avenue, Newark, N.J. 07103 or call (201) 624-2020 for any additional information.

## Extended Care Welcomes New Director Of Nursing

New Community Extended Care Facility welcomes Director of Nursing Gloria Frazier Hamilton. Appointed to the post in January, she is responsible for supervising all nursing activities at the facility. Prior to coming to us, Mrs. Hamilton has held a number of positions in the fields of nursing education and nursing administration.

She graduated from Adelphi University School of Nursing and

received a Baccalaureate Degree from Columbia University-Teacher's College. Mrs. Hamilton also earned a master's degree at the New York University School of Education.

Committed to perfecting the quality of nursing care delivered to our residents and improving the image of nursing, she speaks with enthusiasm about recruiting and retaining nurses as well as including all levels of staff in the decision making process; feedback she feels is essential.



Gloria Frazier Hamilton

## Adult Day Care Nutrition Program In Progress

New Community Adult Medical Day Care Center, announces the sponsorship of the Adult Day Care Nutrition Program. This program is designed to provide meals to adults in licensed adult day care centers. Meals are available at no separate charge to all enrolled adults and are served without regard to race, color, national origin, handicap, age or sex.

### ELIGIBILITY INCOME SCALE

Effective from July 1, 1988 through June 30, 1989

Family Size	Free Yearly Income	Reduced Yearly Income
1	\$ 7,501	\$10,675
2	\$10,049	\$14,301
3	\$12,597	\$17,927
4	\$15,145	\$21,553
Each Additional Family Member	+ \$ 2,548	+ \$ 3,626

The Adult Day Care Nutrition Program is a federal program of the Food and Nutrition Service, United States Department of Agriculture. It is operated in accordance with U.S.D.A. policy, which does not permit discrimination because of race, color, national origin, handicap, age or sex in the meal service, admissions policy or use of any Adult Day Care Nutrition Program facility. Any person who believes they have been discriminated against in any U.S.D.A.-related activity should write to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

Persons interested in enrolling in our Adult Medical Day Care program should call 201-624-2020.

## Behind The Shelter Door

### Babyland's Family Violence Shelter Needs

#### Toiletries (shampoo, soap, etc.) Washcloths and Towels

Do you travel? Save us your hotel/motel size shampoo, soap, lotion, etc. We will give it to our mothers and their children to whom we offer shelter.

Many times our mothers can take nothing with them when they leave the terrible circumstances in which they live with their little ones.

Any donations can be dropped off at St. Rose of Lima Rectory, 11 Gray Street, Newark or at the 2nd floor reception desk at St. Joseph Plaza, 233 W. Market Street. Please label them for the Family Violence Shelter.

If you do not come in to Newark and would like to donate please call the Shelter at

**(201) 484-4446**

and we will try to get your donation to us somehow.

## You Are Cordially Invited

Come and join New Community Extended Care in celebrating National Nursing Home Week, May 14-20, 1989.

Extended Care will host a week of celebration in which you, the community as well as our residents and staff can participate. Our goal this year is to reach people that know very little about long term care and help establish a positive attitude about Nursing Homes. The 1989 theme for National Nursing Home Week is "A Tradition of Caring" and much of the success which our Extended Care Facility has experienced can be attributed to the high quality of care provided by the staff.

During National Nursing Home Week we invite you to come in and see for yourself, just how much we do

care:

•Sunday, May 14 - Special Mother's Day Meal and corsages for our residents.

•Monday, May 15 - Entertainment - provided by staff and participants from the community.

•May 16 - A Balloon Launch.

•May 17 - Blood Pressure Screening - provided by nursing department.

•May 18 - Volunteer and Employee Recognition Day

•May 19 - Bake and Plant Sale

•May 20 - Flea Market (outdoor weather permitting)

If you are interested in joining us, participating by volunteering in our celebration; please contact: Ron Burgess at 624-2020 - or write him at 266 South Orange Avenue, Newark, New Jersey 07103.

## CALL FOR HELP

Is your husband or boyfriend abusing you? You are not alone - it happens a lot. There's a number you can call 24 hours a day where people are available to help you explore your feelings and plans. All calls are kept confidential.

Don't let this situation continue. **NO ONE DESERVES TO BE BEATEN!**

**Call Babyland's Essex County Family Violence Project at 484-4446. In the Caldwell area, call PEACE at 226-6166.**

## PIZZA PARLOUR

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## NEW COMMUNITY EXTENDED CARE

In the community cafeteria at the New Community Extended Care Facility, you can now order fresh, hot delicious pizza TO GO OR EAT IN.

Our pizza is made fresh daily by a staff of trained "Pizza Makers" who use the latest in pizza parlor equipment. Pizza can be made the way you want it with 5 toppings; bubbling mozzarella cheese, pepperoni, sausage, mushroom and peppers & onions.

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## Notes From Babyland:

### Eyes And Cholesterol Need Attention

I have tried to stress in this column things which I believe are helpful in child rearing, but I am open for discussion or request by any of you readers for any subject you think might be more pertinent.

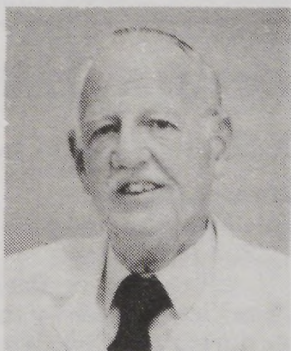
For this issue I want to write about eyes and cholesterol. Both are unrelated to each other but are never in the news.

#### Eyes

Most of us subconsciously expect every infant to be normal and fortunately this is true of most full term infants. But for lack of understanding, eye sight could be hurt if certain facts are not known. A newborn can see at birth, but he/she is near-sighted. For example, at several months of age you will see an infant point past an object. If you held your finger out, the infant would reach out beyond your finger to grasp it. Growth and development are at work; the eye muscles are constantly adjusting as to distance. In fact depth perception by which the eyes tell you where the object is, is often not completed till age 7 years or better.

Another interesting but correctible condition is called **amblyopia** or lazy eye. This is visibly manifest in the first or second year when an eye turns in or out in a fixed position. If the eye is fixed in or out, eye sight will deteriorate. It is for this reason that the eye doctor will give a pair of glasses with a clouded lens covering the good eye forcing the infant to use the eye with the defective vision.

Another similar condition which demands correction is when the eye muscles pull the eye or eyes in or out and they are locked in that position. This is correctible by shortening or lengthening the involved eye muscle. This is called **strabismus**. All these conditions are correctible but the earlier they are picked up, the better. The infant's pediatrician is the one who will pick up these abnormalities and refer them for correction when indicated.



Dr. Paul  
Kearney

#### Cholesterol

Now the subject of **cholesterol**. This is a fatty acid which can accumulate in excess in the blood and has been incriminated in causing heart disease, coronary heart, hypertension, strokes, etc., in adults. A visit to the supermarket will reflect how many food displays today state cholesterol free.

When I was young, however, we were brought up on eggs, whole milk, butter, and red meats. We thought the Italians with their spaghetti and tomato sauce, cheese and soda pop had a deficient diet. During the second World War, Sophia Loren and Gina Lollobrigida were reared on this "poor" diet and brother, what figures they have!

Now we know that the Italians were miles ahead of us in the maintenance of good health. The factor of cholesterol in infants is less important than it is in adults. In fact babies, particularly prematures **need** the fats. Mother's milk is super fat. The removal of fat from the formula will do damage to the brain, if not a part of the first year of life.

On the other hand, there are some families who have higher values of cholesterol. This is on an inherited basis. These families **need** to be followed, for unless the cholesterol is controlled it can lead to early heart problems.

#### The Reality

When one sees what the teenagers live on — fast foods, salt, french fries, soda pop, ice cream, etc. (and they thrive on it) — it gives one cause to worry. What to do??? The only way to beat them at this game is to give them **no money**.

Good luck! Join the club.

Paul Kearney, M.D., F.A.A.P.  
Medical Director  
Babyland Nursery, Inc.

## Missing Have You Seen This Woman?

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## FOOT FACTS:

### Some Facts You Should Know About Bunions

Office Hours at St. Joseph's Plaza  
9-12 Mon.  
9-12 every 2nd & 4th Sat.

A large percentage of our population may develop a bunion. Both men and women can develop bunions, although it appears that bunions are more commonly seen on women's feet. A bunion is a swelling or enlargement of the large toe joint on the inner side of the foot. The deformity usually develops gradually but continuously and this will cause pain from shoes rubbing against the enlarged bone. There may be swelling, redness and deep aching pain associated with the bunion joint, causing a bursitis.

#### WHY DO BUNIONS DEVELOP?

\*Bunions develop from a weakness in the bone structure of your foot. Because of the instability of the bones and ligaments which form the various joints and arches in your foot, the joints have a tendency to move out of proper alignment. Therefore, we will sometimes see the development of bunion deformities even in young children as well as the adult population. The bunions are not caused by improper shoe gear, but are significantly aggravated by improperly fitting shoes which place an unusual degree of pressure at the bunion joint. As bunions become more severe, the joint moves out of proper alignment and eventually arthritis will damage the joint space. The large toe will move sideways towards the 2nd toe and the foot tends to widen across the metatarsal area. Again, remember that shoes do not usually cause the bunions but they certainly aggravate the condition and speed up the development of a more serious and significant deformity.

#### HOW SHOULD I TREAT MY BUNION PROBLEM?

As a rule, bunion deformities should be recognized early and evaluated by your Podiatrist. The doctor can offer several suggestions on controlling the cause of the bunion deformity so that symptoms do not arise or become more severe. The doctor can also evaluate the underlying weakness in the structure of your foot and make certain recommendations which may include exercises, alteration of shoe gear, or prescription orthotics, in an attempt to stabilize weakness and improve the conditioning of the foot.

As bunion deformities progress however, they do become quite symptomatic and bothersome. Initially, treatment should include modification of shoe gear with a wider shoe to alleviate the pressure at the bunion joint. Additionally, anti-inflammatory oral medication or injections may be necessary during the acute phases of the bunion pain.

Your doctor may order X-ray studies to evaluate the bone structure of your feet. This will give him invaluable information as to the cause and severity of the bunion deformities. The X-rays will also help to determine if there are other associated problems in the foot which require attention.

If the bunion deformity progressively increases, surgery may be recommended. Your Podiatrist will perform a thorough evaluation of your circulation, muscle strength and alignment, and various other tests to determine if you are a candidate for bunion surgery. If surgery is recommended,

Dr. Kenneth  
Frank

Podiatrist



your Podiatrist will discuss with you the surgical procedures which he feels are best suited for your particular bunion deformity. There are many different types of bunion surgical procedures now available, now having been developed by Podiatrists specializing in this type of surgery. The Podiatrist will select the procedure that is most suited in your particular case. This is based on examination and X-ray findings, as well as other factors such as age and activities of the patient. These factors can influence the final outcome so that both the doctor and patient are working as a team for a successful and satisfactory result.

#### WHAT KIND OF SURGERY IS REQUIRED TO REPAIR MY BUNION?

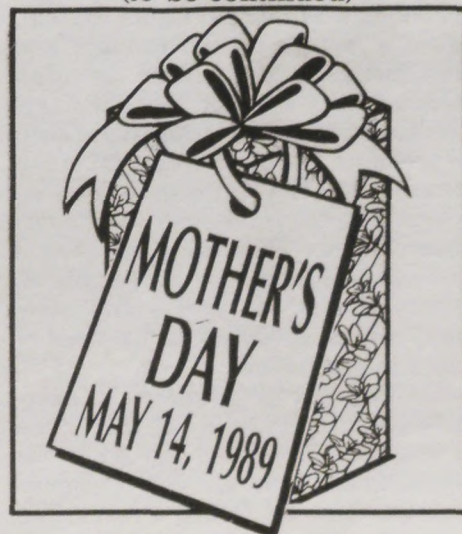
Mild bunion deformities which require surgery usually are treated by removing a small portion of the enlarged bone on the inner side of the metatarsal. The surgeon may also lengthen the tendons around the joint to realign the joint so the toe is straight. If the tendon lengthening does not achieve realignment, he may elect to also make a wedge in one of the small toe bones which will straighten out the big toe.

In more severe bunion deformities, your Podiatrist may elect to perform several different procedures to obtain a good result. These may include removing the enlarged portion of the bone on the side of the metatarsal, and in addition, cutting the metatarsal bone to realign the metatarsal and re-establish its normal alignment. In some cases, pins, stainless steel screws, staples, or small threaded wires are used to hold the bone in its proper position while healing is occurring so that realignment of the bone is maintained while the bone is healing.

The most severe bunion deformities have significant alteration of the bone structure and in addition developed arthritis of the metatarsal joint in the big toe. These more severe bunion deformities require cutting of the metatarsal bone with possible use of pins or wires and in addition require remodeling of the joint surface, which may include the use of a joint spacer (implant) made up of a plastic material which replaces the damaged joint surface, such as a hemi implant made up of a silastic material which also replaces the damaged joint surface of the toe, or a total implant which also helps maintain the proper alignment of the toe and replaces the damaged joint surface of the metatarsal.

\*There is a strong hereditary tendency to develop this deformity.

(to be continued)





# Security Corner

## Officer Of The Month

Security Officer George Harris, a native of Georgetown, Guyana, and a six year veteran of the N.C.C. Security Department was selected for April 1989 as Officer of the Month.

Officer Harris was selected because of reliability, steadfast loyalty and unselfish dedication to duty. He is an individual who can be trusted to bring to the attention of his supervisors, methods and ways to improve the level of service and performance of members in the Department whenever the situation dictates it.

Security Officer Harris can be relied upon to perform well wherever assigned. His present responsibility is dispatcher and building security.

Harris was decorated twice for performing above and beyond the call of duty, a feat which earned him N.C.C. Security's Second and Third highest honors, the Meritorious and Honorable Service Awards.

A 1985 graduate of Kean College in Union, N.J. where he majored in Computer Science, George, in addition to working for New Community, holds a full time position with a New York City firm.

Officer Harris was presented with a plaque from the Katzins Uniform Company of Newark and the New Community Corporation, co-sponsors of the Officer of the Month program.

The Security Department congratulates Security Officer George Harris on his achievement.

## Security In-Service Training

In-Service Training Sessions were held for the nearly one hundred member New Community Security Department on April 10th and 11th.

The training sessions which are given quarterly, were held both night and day. Security Officers working the 4 P.M. to 12 A.M. and the 12 A.M. to 8 A.M. tours of duty were required to attend morning classes while those officers who worked the 8 A.M. to 4 P.M. tour attended classes conducted in the evening.

The training which took place in the Commons Pavilion, 298 Morris Avenue, consisted of the following subject matter:

- Philosophy of New Community Corporation
- Security Officers Rules and Regulations
- Patrol
- Report Writing
- Court Room Procedures and Conduct
- Self Defense
- Marking Evidence
- Community Relations

The training sessions were shared by Security Director James DuBose and Errol Adams, Assistant Director.

Guest lecturers were New Community's own Sister Catherine Moran and Dolores Russo who in addition to expressing the corporation's history and philosophy, showed a twenty minute film on the subject. The Honorable Allyson Jones, Judge of Newark Municipal Court System, gave a lecture on the conduct and testimony of the officer as seen through the eyes of the judiciary. Judge Jones' presentation was of such a profound nature that several of the female Security Officers as well as their male counterparts were overheard to say that the judge was a perfect role model for the female officers present and they would enjoy very much listening to lectures of hers in the future.

Other guest lecturers were Detective Derrick Holloway of the Crime Prevention Unit of the Newark Police Department who showed a twenty minute film on Crime Prevention.

Detective Holloway also spoke on the subject of Community Relations.

Detective Bill Thomas of the Newark Police Narcotic Bureau presented a display on the various drugs and paraphernalia used by drug addicts. He also gave a lecture on drugs.

The Security Officers were given reading material explaining the various drugs and their effect and dangers to the user, compliments of the Office of Essex County Sheriff Tom D'Allesio. Reading material on crime prevention was provided by the Crime Prevention Unit of the Newark Police Department. A New Community Corporation Security Officer Training Manual was given to each officer in attendance to be used for future reference.

## Color Guard Participates

The New Community Security Color Guard again participated in the opening ceremony of the U.S.A. Sombo Wrestling Pan American and National Championships (a form of wrestling that is Russian in origin). The invitation was extended to the Color Guard by the Director of Community Affairs, Ms. M. Bridgeforth on behalf of Essex County College and the Sombo Wrestling Association.

The event took place in the College Gymnasium on Saturday, April 1, 1989 with athletes from nearly every state in the union participating, as well as some foreign countries.

Color Guard members, Security Officers Lorne Ragin, Laurence Thompson and Samuel Bell along with Commander Allan Murray were presented with a T-Shirt and certificate in appreciation of their efforts. The gifts were from Ms. Bridgeforth and the President of the Association.

The College and Association expressed the desire for the N.C.C. Color Guard to open next year's program at the school when athletes from around the world will be representing their nations in competition.

## Awards Date Set

The New Community Security Department will host its Fifth Annual Awards Ceremony on May 11th at the N.C.C. Extended Care Facility, 266 South Orange Avenue.

The affair will honor twenty-four of its Security Officers in the following categories:

- Medal of Honor
- Meritorious Service
- Honorable Service
- Good Conduct Service Award

The Officer of the Year and the Security Director Award will be presented as well.

Guest speaker will be Newark Police Director, Claude Coleman. The event will take place in the Community Room of the facility with a reception immediately following the ceremonies.

Invitations have been extended to a number of County and City officials as well as members of the law enforcement community.

# Black History Notes

Researched By James E. DuBose

## Hannibal Hamlin American Vice-President (1809-1891)

Hannibal Hamlin, born in Paris Hill, Maine, was Vice-President of the United States during the Civil War. He served from 1861-1865. An anti-slavery statesman, he was an intimate friend and adviser of President Lincoln.

Because of his color and features, he was publicly denounced in Congress and in the press as being Negro. He was strongly objected to by the South and its sympathizers, who declared he was a Negro. Once when attacked on the floor of Congress because of this, he retorted, "I take my complexion from nature. He gets his from the brandy bottle. Which is more honorable?"

## James Bland Composer of Southern Songs (1854-1911)

Virginia, the proudest of the Southern states, is perhaps the only state in the Union whose official song

was written by a black. Whenever citizens of the Old Dominion rise to sing Carry Me Back to Old Virginny, they are also giving homage to James Bland, a black composer who was born free in Long Island, New York.

Other old-time favorites such as Oh, Dem Golden Slippers, In the Evening by the Moonlight, Tapioca, Pretty Little Carolina Rose, Listen to the Silver Trumpets, and scores upon scores of other songs flowed from the pen of this untrained composer.

Contrary to popular legend, James Bland was not a white-haired, ex-slave writing songs of beauty and affection for his former masters. He was a self-made professional descending from a long line of free blacks. Having the distinction of being the first black employed as an examiner in the United States Patent Office, his father, Allen Bland was a graduate of Wilberforce and Oberlin Colleges and had a degree from Howard University Law School. His mother was a native of Wilmington, Delaware.

# NC Douglas

Recently members of the N.C. Douglas, 15 Hill Street Tenants' Organization elected officers. New Leadership Team members are: Catherine Crawford, President; Elizabeth Waller, Vice President; Eddie Johnson, Secretary; Elizabeth Frankling, Treasurer; and Rev. Henry Super, Chaplain.

Members attending the election

meeting expressed gratitude to the outgoing officers for all that had been accomplished during their terms of office. All present shared high hopes for the future of the organization and promised to support the efforts of the newly-elected officers.

Congratulations! and thank you for your willingness to serve.

# NCFCU Has Money Orders Available At Rock Bottom Prices



Credit Union Manager Joe Okeke and Assistant Manager Linda Walker try out their new money order machine. Travelers Express Money Orders are available at the second floor office of the NCFCU at St. Joseph Plaza. There is a fee of 45¢ per money order and a limit of \$1,000. Travelers Express is a Greyhound Company.

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## St. Rose Cub Scout Troop #115 Is On The Move Again

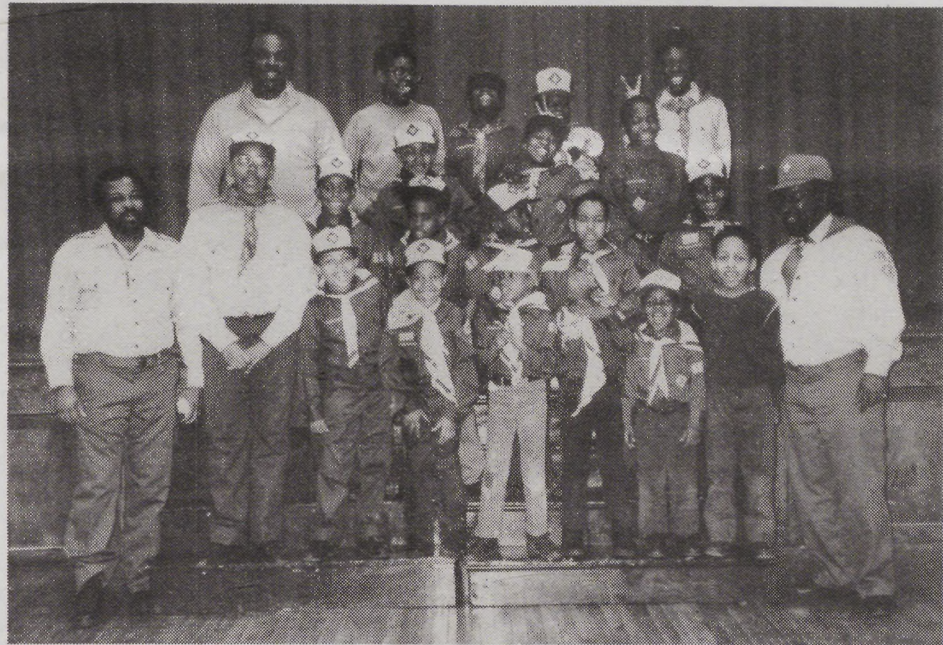
In 1975 St. Rose of Lima Cub Scout Troop #115 became dormant. In 1988 it was reactivated by Warren Billups, the father of two St. Rose of Lima students, Iesha Nelson and Brandon Nelson.

Troop #115 is now "on the move." Awards were given to twenty-one (21) students who earned them for their achievements in learning Cub

Laura Lloyd, Joy Thomas and Bertha Walker.

The group has planned many activities including fundraising projects to make outings possible.

Perhaps you are in the market for a portable First Aid Kit. Every home and auto should have one. The Pack is selling them to raise money for their projects. See any Cub Scout and



Happy faces commemorate the beginning of a new era.

Scout prayers and laws of the Pack. These awards were Bobcat Badges which are now proudly worn by all of the Cub Scouts.

The Pack meets weekly at St. Rose led by Cub Master Billups and his loyal aides. These loyal aides consist of dedicated parents such as Mamie Branch, Secretary; Lora Frazier, Treasurer; Ronald Moses, Den Leader; and Parent Assistant, Crown Cureton. Bringing up the rear of his loyal team are additional helpers

he will be glad to sell one to you. Funds raised from the sale of the First Aid Kits will be used to defray the cost of a variety of outings: a one day trip to Camp Glen Gray located in Oakland, New Jersey; a one day trip to Sesame Place in Pennsylvania; and an overnite outing for the Webelos, the 4th and 5th grade Cubs.

As you can see Troop#115 is reactivated and on the move.

Richard Proctor  
Parent Coordinator

## Half The Battle Is Knowledge

On Wednesday, April 12th, New Community families meeting at NC Commons had the opportunity of being enlightened with loads of information about drug/alcohol abuse.

Speakers at the seminar were: Sgt. Thomas White of the Newark Police Department; Victor Stolberg and Thomas Jackson of Essex Community College, Detective John Goode from the Sheriff's Department, and Dr. Peter Meyers of Rutgers, Newark.

There were several presentations showing drug paraphernalia and testimonies from former alcohol/drug abusers. We also received preventive information from Ms. Debra Johnson of the Task Force Division and Dana Davies - chairperson of Public Information for the County of Essex.

As a whole, the seminar proved to be very instructive. The young and old came out and were informed on drug/alcohol abuse, the contributing factors, community involvement, living with addicted family members and statewide referrals and courses which could help.



Sgt. Thomas White displays drug samples.

We are now better prepared to fight the insidious problem of addiction which surrounds us all day.

Sylvia Johnston



Victor Stolberg addresses an attentive audience.

## St. Rose After-School Tutors: A Closer Look

This month we focus on just two of the four devoted VISTA volunteers, Mrs. Geraldine Wise and Mrs. Bertha Walker.

The students in the St. Rose After-School Program are split into two groups according to age, and Mrs. Wise and Mrs. Walker work with the older half — usually third grade and older.

Mrs. Wise and Mrs. Walker are VISTA volunteers and have been for two years now, though they have worked with youth at St. Rose for much longer.

When asked why they do the work

Walker says she likes the challenge of tutoring. "It keeps me up to date with some of my math and it keeps me alert. It even makes me feel young again!" Mrs. Wise added, "I like feeling needed — especially when a child asks me for help and I can help him or her."

But their jobs are real ones, and with that reality comes frustrations. "Sometimes the youngsters just have off-days," said Mrs. Walker. "And you cannot expect them to act as grown-ups, when often we'd like them to." Mrs. Wise's frustrations center on children that do not want her



Mrs. Bertha Walker at work with her "children."

they do, they responded with enthusiasm. "I enjoy working with children. I like to take a stake in their future, and I want to help them and be a part of what makes them grow up," said Mrs. Wise. Mrs. Walker also eagerly spoke of her motivation: "I love kids! If I respect them, they respect me back, and I realize that the kids really are beautiful!"

Both ladies help each other a great deal and enjoy working together as a team.

As for the joys of the work, Mrs.

help. "It's tough when I want to help a child, but that child just doesn't want my help."

In all, the Walker-Wise team tutors approximately thirty-five St. Rose students. And from the contented looks on the students' faces and the low volume of sound and voices in the room, one can easily see that the tutoring duo is doing a wonderful job. We salute you, Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Wise, for your outstanding after-school work!

## Faculty Celebrates Teacher's 26 Years Of Teaching



Mrs. Alberta Brady celebrates her 26 years of teaching at St. Rose School with a faculty party as Mistress of Ceremonies Emily Ross looks on.

## FOCUS on FAMILIES

Tenants of N.C. Manor Families, 72 Hayes Street, recently elected Tenants' Organization officers and Floor Captains. The new President is Patricia Brown; Vice President, Alma Sasser; Secretary, Mattie Shelly; Treasurer, Tina Williams; Chaplain, Russell Patterson; and Sergeant-At-Arms, Robert Green.

Floor Captains are: First Floor, Ida Williams; Second Floor, Antoinette Loyal; Third Floor, Sadie Gray;

Fourth Floor, Patricia Brown; and Fifth Floor, Glenda Williams. The Head Floor Captain is Bertha Brown.

Madge Wilson and Walter Rouse from Management and Sr. Mary Ellen from Social Services were on hand to lend the support and encouragement of these offices to the efforts of Manor tenants to take responsibility for 72 Hayes. Ms. Wilson shared some inspiring thoughts about how New Community housing got here, and why it is important that it stay.

The new team's determination to make changes was obvious as they immediately began to plan and organize. Congratulations! You can count on our support!



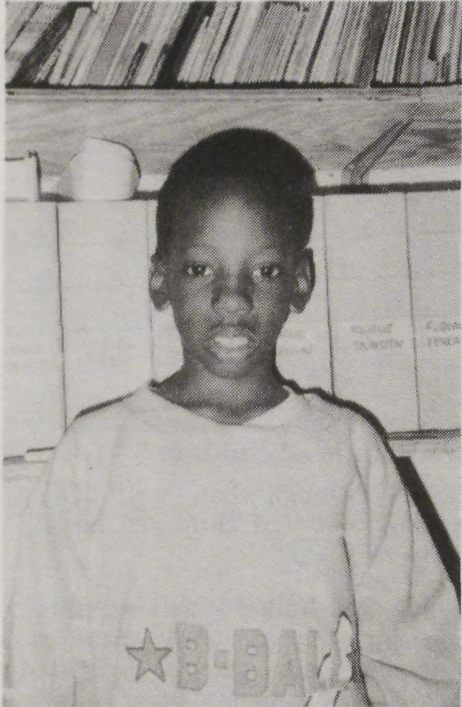
## At Your (Social) Service

by the Staff of NCC Social Services Department

### Second Grader Wins Honors

This month's outstanding student is one of the youngest hard-workers we have in our 220 Bruce Street After-School Program. He is a second-grader at Newton Street School, Marcus Captain. "Marcus listens well, and does his work faithfully. We usually never have to tell him twice to do something," said Scott Santarosa, Program Coordinator.

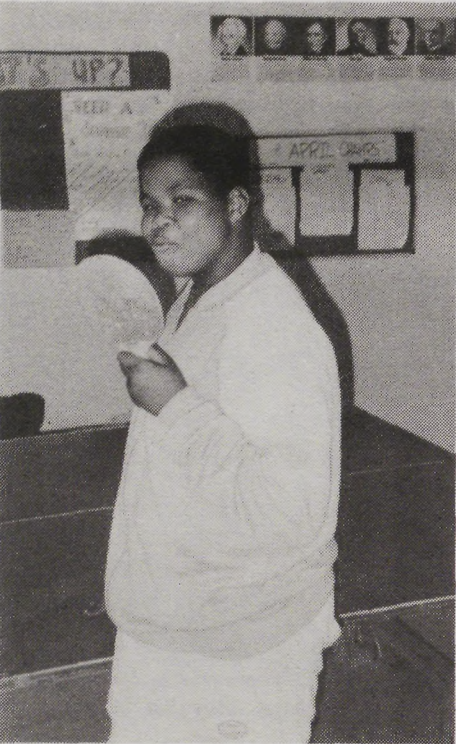
Often Marcus is picked up early from the program, so he does not get to take part in all of the activities planned. But he has a great attitude and a friendly outlook in the program. Keep up your great work, Marcus!



Marcus Captain

### The April Ping Pong Champ

Of all the art work adorning the walls of our youth recreation room, a few pieces catch the eye at a quick glance. One of these is the tournament bracket for ping-pong entitled "The April Champs." And the winner of this ping-pong tournament which started on April 3rd is Randy Smith.



Randy Smith

Through hard work with his paddle and forfeit by other competitors, Randy worked his way to the winner's spot on the brackets.

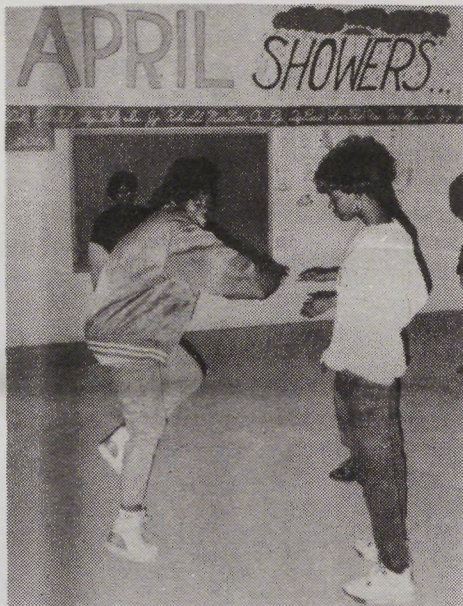
For his victories, the eighth grader at Newton Street School received a trophy cup. Congratulations, Champ!

### Youth Council Disco Raises Funds

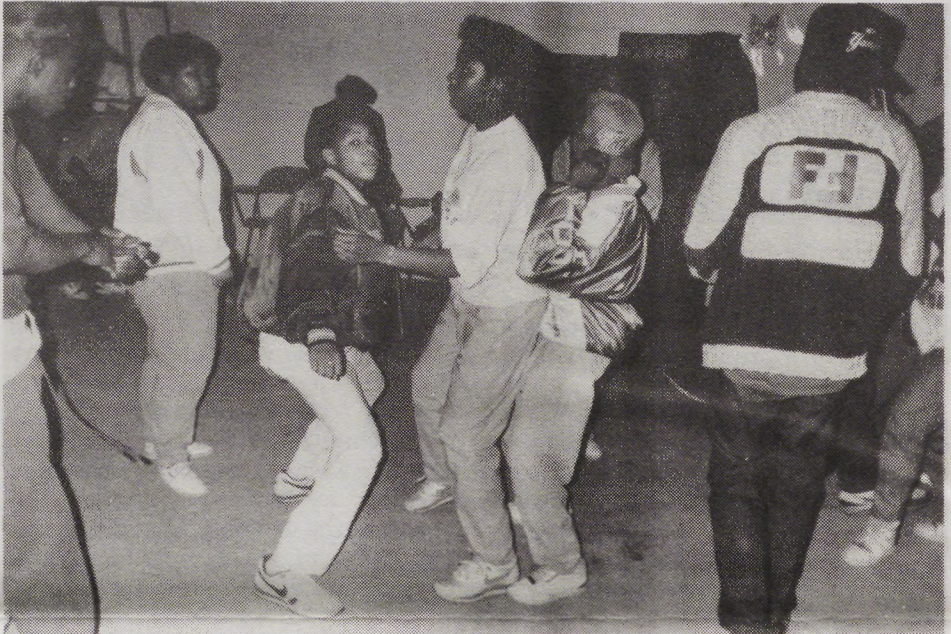
A roomful of youths exploding into action at the sound of a beat is quite a sight to see, and that's what those present at the April 14th Youth Council Disco **did** see. It was a motion-packed event from the very first beat at 7 P.M. until the very last beat at about 11:45 P.M. that night.

Music was provided by NCC resident "Champ," and the event took place at the Youth Services Building at 220 Bruce Street.

"Over \$75 was raised," said Yolanda Curry, moderator of the Youth Council. This money will help finance a CYO Survival Weekend that many of our young council members hope to attend this Spring. The young leaders are hoping to have more such money-raising events to enable a greater variety of youth activities for the group.



So that's how it's done!



Youth Council members have themselves a dancing good time.

### Cleanup Is No Joke

While April 1st may have been a great day for jokes and April Fools' pranks, there was serious business afoot at some vacant lots at the end of Bruce Street along Springfield Avenue. It was there that several of our after-school students joined forces with students in the Honors Club at NJIT to do some Spring Cleaning. And clean they did! Wielding brooms and gardening gloves, both the college and grammar school students collected over 30 bags of trash.

The project was initiated by the Honor Club's Ruth Baker and Joe Shatynski in efforts to help serve the Newark Community. Earlier in the year, the club arranged a chemistry show and NJIT tour for our after-

schoolers. Having done an excellent job with the youngsters, the club decided to work again with New Community in their next project, the lot clean-up. Arrangements with Sr. Anastasia Hearne, Social Services Director, and Scott Santarosa, After-School Coordinator, were made and the scouring project was successfully executed.

The clean-up not only beautifies our neighborhood but helps prepare that land for construction, and we are always looking forward to expanding and developing our community-serving facilities.

Thank you, NJIT and After-Schoolers, for your help!



Two young men happily clean up their environment.



There would not be a disco without music from the "Champ."



After-school students pitch in to make a difference.



## A Special Kind Of Love

"I love my mother and she always loved me, but I did not understand her or recognize her love until just recently," Beulah Hatcher told me recently.

If one were to visit New Community Roseville they would probably see this young woman of thirty-six busily coming and going out of apartment 106 and up and down the elevator while frequenting the laundry room. Mrs. Hatcher, a former home health

technician. Mrs. Hatcher's mother, who is 72 years old, was also a Chrill home aide until she herself was stricken with ill health.

Beulah's straightforwardness gives a false impression of her true nature. She is always looking for someone to help. Since coming to Roseville to be with her mother, Beulah has assisted many other residents. On one occasion when I entered the building, I encountered Mrs. Hatcher about to



Mrs. Etta Lynch receives a visit from daughter Beulah Hatcher.

aide with the Chrill agency and part-time student at the Phillips School, gave up her job and educational pursuits so that she could attend to her mother.

After visiting her mother, Mrs. Etta Lynch, almost six months ago, Beulah knew her mother needed help, full-time help. No agency could offer this and Mrs. Lynch is not ready for a Nursing Home.

"When I saw my mother and how she was living I could not leave," said her daughter. Beulah's caring nature stems from lifelong influences while working as a neighborhood youth corps nurse's aide to her pursuit of a career as a scrub nurse. There are also several family members who are in the health field: one sister is an R.N.; another works with T.B. patients; and her brother is a laboratory

enter the elevator. She could not talk because she was preparing dinner for her mother and was on her way to the fourth floor to check on a chicken in the oven and was delivering a prescription to someone else down the hall. Quite a busy evening, and all because she feels compelled to be of service.

Mrs. Hatcher, who has put the pursuit of her career on hold, who has an understanding husband and a son in college, admits her personal life is sometimes difficult, but what holds it all together and keeps her going is — to put it in her own words — "I'll always love my mama, and her welfare is important to me."

A Daughter's Love is Special  
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!  
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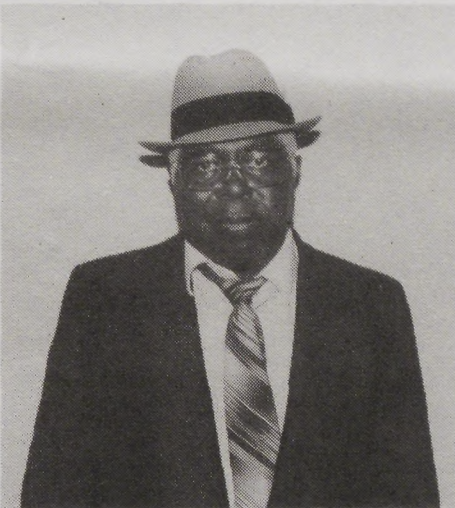
## Senior Power: Lending A Hand

Robert Pritchard

One year and four months ago, New Community Roseville welcomed a new resident with an effervescent personality, and a passion for speaking his mind.

Mr. Robert Pritchard is a spry man of 71 with salt colored hair and a smile which releases a resounding chuckle to brighten the dreariest of days.

The first week he moved in he said, "I know I have my work cut out for me." Mr. Pritchard decided to take on what he calls the "wheelchair crew"



and takes people out for fresh air and short strolls. He had the courage to take on the "difficult" residents with whom no one else wished to associate.

An excellent nickname for Robert would be "Dr. Feelgood," and it would be no exaggeration. Every time I visit Roseville I listen for his voice and immediately, no matter what kind of a day I am having, a smile comes to my face.

Mr. Pritchard attributes his sense of caring to the time he spent in the Service caring for his fellow human beings.

"I like to stay active, I like to help...time is valuable."

Mr. Robert Pritchard celebrates senior month all year long.

Jerome Lasure

At 75 most people are thinking of relaxing and fending off arthritis. NC Gardens Senior has a resident who could probably dance rings around a number of today's "younger" population.

Mr. Jerome Lasure who lives with wife Willie Mae, is 75 and proud of it. He said his greatest satisfaction comes from caring for his wife and being able to help the neighbors in his building. He is also very active in his church.

Jerome recently retired as a medical transportation volunteer driver for New Community Health Care Center. He still drives, however, using his car for shopping, assisting in trips to the bank and doctors and making trips to the Community Food Bank to pick up commodities.

Mr. Lasure, also ensures that every new resident feels at home by personally welcoming them and offering his services. He also serves as the third floor captain, a person who checks on the welfare of the neighbors on his floor each and every day and keeps them informed by passing out



newsletters and fliers as needed. He is a well known and loved man of slight build who has a thirst for life and rarely appears discouraged.

"I've always been brought up to mix with people and be caring and sharing," says Mr. Lasure.

Thank you for caring and sharing Mr. Pritchard and Mr. Lasure.

Joyce Cook

## A Friend Remembered

I remember being 6, maybe 7 years old and the youngest of seven children, walking to the corner with a certain lady. She would be off to work and I to school. I hated that walk, but, I made it every day.

I don't know why, but my friend embarrassed me, working in rich people's homes and always seeming not to mind. People looked down on "domestics" and their families. Couldn't she see that I was hurting? I had a "complex." I never had to work but I was furious. My friend on the other hand was not bothered by the jeering glances, and my somewhat stubborn manner. She was always willing to work.

This woman was a magnet; she was

always bringing home items to reuse. The strangest thing too, she always gave something beautiful or useful to the women who looked down on her and rarely had a kind word. Usually these would be children's clothing and she was always very careful to make sure they were clean and mended if needed. She was concerned.

I still harbor some shame. Yet she was always ready to help others gladly. All during my pre-teen years right up until High School she shared her days with us and tried to let us experience a different life through her.

Her house was a menage of top designers of China, Crystal, linens, etc. Her table could always be found with a setting or two of Lenox and Royal Doulton. Newsweek, Cosmopolitan and National Geographics to which I owe my love of travel were always littering her parlor table.

I particularly loved the boudoir finery bedazzled with ostrich feathers, silks and laces.

As I grew older I learned how to shop with a tasteful knowledge and my friend was always available to give helpful tips on making the best purchases. Still I had not yet ap-

preciated that she was giving me the opportunity, the thirst, for the better things in life.

After High School I married and found styles of furniture really mattered. I yearned for what she had ignited within and realized labels meant a lot to some people. But never to my friend. As a child we had a magnificent glass and oak curio which held about 8 complete settings of China from about 20 different patterns. I hated it and had visions of throwing it off our second-story apartment balcony.

Gradually the shame that I had nurtured for so long began to turn to appreciation, for this woman of whom I have been speaking is my mother. She, Juanita Littles, was giving us the best without flaunting it. She never would do that. Mother wanted us to be with her so much during her working hours that she consumed as much information, memories and oddities as she could so that they could be shared with us. My favorite piece of memorabilia is a cube of sugar embossed with a delicate hand carved rose. It was exquisite and she had managed to save one for each of us, because she wanted to give us something as beautiful as she had.

She loved us very much. It has taken me, Lola Grady, a very long time to realize this and now I understand and love her even more.

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!  
Joyce Cook

## Senior Activity Specials

May 15 — Garden State Arts Center, "The Marion Williams Gospel Show" - 9:30 A.M. - 50¢.

May 10 — Bus Ride to Atlantic City - Leave NC Associates 2:15 P.M. \$10.00 - Receive \$5.00 in quarters/\$15.00 voucher.

May 31 — Garden State Arts Center, Musical - "Carousel" - 9:30 A.M. - 50¢.

June 2 — NCC Annual Summer Fish Fry at NC Associates - 5:00 P.M.-7:00 P.M. - \$4.00 per dinner.

June 21 — Bus Trip to Shea Stadium - Montreal vs. Mets - 9:30 A.M. - \$2.50 Seniors and \$7.00 all others. **Deadline** for payment June 5th.



Lola Grady shows off some of her mother's lovely things.



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